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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Pogue & Velichko

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Production of Bovine Lysozyme

by Plant Viral Vectors

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to prosecution on the merits, kindly amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6, kindly replace the fourth full paragraph with the following:

Europe Patent Application No. 0425019A1 (2 May 1991) to The Proctor & Gamble Company discloses that lysozyme c is not sufficiently effective against certain bacteria in certain sites in mammals to be used alone. Thus, disclosed antibacterial compositions include endo-β-N-acetylglucosaminidase or endoglycopeptidase in addition to the lysozyme.

Lysozymes are purportedly not effective against gram-negative bacteria.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly add the following new claims 12 - 32.

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